

WEDDING BELL.—The fair expressed in some quarters particularly among colored men, that the retention of slaves in Britain for the supposed dishonor of her having the case of the *Telegraph*, will be a wise and judicious, if not well founded. England and the United States cannot alone make international law, nor amend or repeal any of its existing provisions. The other great Powers, France, Russia and possibly Austria will claim to be heard and to be consulted in the framing of the compact of their several nationalities, as changed, and before the peace of the world, in which they are less than we are, will be interested.

HOW TO DO IT.

The position assumed by the Government in the treatment of the question of Slavery, in this war, is the cause of the greater part of the dialogue with which our cause is regarded by the other nations of the civilized world; and, if, in consequence of the act of Commodore Wilkes in the seizure of Mason and Slidell, we have lost the support of Great Britain, a compensation which probably amounts to the loss of the Republic, we still have no fear that the opinion of the world and the temper of the other Powers, will not be consulted by the British Government, before any decision steps are taken.

WHAT CAN'T BE DONE.

We do not wish to interfere with anybody's legitimate gains, and a camp sutler is in himself and his profits worse in principle than any other dealer in small groceries.

He is not for the higher interests of our troops and the higher welfare of our country.

He must be held in check, but he must be held.

We must view his post and his connections with increasing jealousy.

We are not prepared to say that we wish there were no sutlers in our camps.

We are very near that, however, and if we wrote it, it would not be to recent in advance what the troops themselves will say, when the man who has sold them long-drawn tobacco, ginger-beer and sugar, set up his carriage, and change his shirt every day.

There is something in it that should be reformed.

Here is a man placed to prey, and profit largely upon the *causes* of the camp.

The soldiers find time to buy.

And what are the chances into which by the service of the Charter, the hard-earned pittance of the soldier is diverted from what should be its course to the home, and the family he left behind him.

The Government gives him his clothing and his rations, and cares for him in health and sickness.

For necessary articles of personal comfort, aside from those he has to buy, he is compelled to buy.

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